



Addressing Water Quality Concerns in an Urban Farm Setting & Installation of Heavy Use Area Protection

August 23, 2016 5:30 p.m. – 8:30 p.m.

Stearns Homestead
6975 Ridge Road, Parma

AGENDA-Open to the Public

5:30 p.m. – Gathering / light refreshments provided

6:00 p.m. - Welcome & Project Overview – *Anita Cook, Organization Director, Cuyahoga County Farm Bureau*

6:15 p.m. - Watersheds & Stormwater - *Jan Rybka, Cuyahoga SWCD, Administrator; Bob Gardin, Big Creek Connects Director*
What are the concerns in regards to storm water and water quality?

6:30 p.m. - What is a heavy use area and why? – *Lynette Harmon, District Conservationist, USDA-Natural Resources Conservation Service*
What assistance does NRCS provide?

7:00 p.m. - On-site Installation demonstration of a heavy use area

Our sincere thanks to the Ohio Farm Bureau Foundation for providing a grant to install the heavy use area at Stearns Homestead to address some of the concerns that were recognized and needed to be corrected. Thanks to the Parma Historical Society and City of Parma for their assistance.

Soil & Water provided additional recommendations to assist with water quality concerns including installation of a riparian setback of trees and shrubs, to be installed on September 10.

USDA-NRCS provided a comprehensive plan of recommendations to make further improvements to address additional concerns at the homestead.



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